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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 13 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 748 (1992) CONCERNING THE LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA

3.30 p.m.*	78th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7

* The Chairman of the Committee will give an oral briefing to interested members of the United Nations in Conference Room 7, immediately following the meeting.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Tenth emergency special session

10 a.m.	6th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	7th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Illegal Israeli actions in occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory [5]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/ES-10/16 and Add.1);

(b) Draft resolution (A/ES-10/l.3).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	22nd meeting	Conference Room 1

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under all agenda items (items 62-83) (A/C.1/52/INF/1)

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	40th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Environment and sustainable development [98](A/52/25, A/52/112, A/52/217-S/1997/507, A/52/284, A/52/318, A/52/347, A/52/447-S/1997/775, A/52/460, A/52/514-S/1997/815)

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa (A/52/549)

(d) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction (A/52/560, A/52/561, A/52/413)

Introduction and general discussion

3 p.m.	41st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Environment and sustainable development [98](A/52/25, A/52/112, A/52/217-S/1997/507, A/52/284, A/52/318, A/52/347, A/52/447-S/1997/775, A/52/460, A/52/514-S/1997/815)

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   (d) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction (A/52/560, A/52/561, A/52/413)

   General discussion (conclusion)

2. Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research [100] (A/52/367, A/52/559)

   Introductory statement

3. Macroeconomic policy questions [95] (A/52/284, A/52/347, A/52/447-S/1997/775, A/52/460, A/C.2/52/4)

   (b) Trade and development (A/52/15 (Part I and Part II), A/52/329, A/52/413, A/52/459)

   General discussion (concluded)

4. Environment and sustainable development [98]

   (c) Protection of the global climate for present and future generations of mankind

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.21

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals A/C.2/52/L.2 (item 95 (a)), A/C.2/52/L.5 (item 99 (a)), A/C.2/52/L.7 and L.9 (item 99 b))

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* Immediately following the adjournment of the 41st meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	34th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Human rights questions [112] (A/52/3, A/52/116, A/52/173, A/52/254-S/1997/567, A/52/262, A/52/286-S/1997/647, A/52/301-S/1997/668,, A/52/347, A/52/432, A/52/437, A/52/447-S/1997/775)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)] (A/52/468, A/52/469 and Add.1, A/52/473, A/52/474, A/52/475, A/52/483, A/52/489, A/52/494, A/52/498, A/52/548, A/52/567, A/52/477, A/52/66, A/52/81-S/1997/153, A/52/85-S/1997/180, A/52/117, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/133-S/1997/348, A/52/134-S/1997/349, A/52/135, A/52/151, A/52/182, A/52/204, A/52/205)

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)] (A/52/497, A/52/502, A/52/515, A/52/527, A/52/472, A/52/476, A/52/479, A/52/484, A/52/486/Add.1/Corr.1*, A/52/490, A/52/493, A/52/496, A/52/499, A/52/505, A/52/506, A/52/510, A/52/522, A/52/583, A/52/61-S/1997/68, A/52/64, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/170)

4. Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [112 (d)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

5. Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [112 (e)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

Continuation of the general discussion

Introductory statements by:

Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro)
Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Human Rights in Cambodia
Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in the Sudan
Special Representative on the Situation of Human Rights in Rwanda
Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Cuba

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	35th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Promotion and protection of the rights of the child [108]

Introduction of amendments to draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.25 contained in document A/C.3/52/L.39

2. Programme of activities of the international decade of the work's indigenous people [109]

Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.40

3. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [110]

Introduction of draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.31, L.32 and L.38

4. Right of peoples to self-determination [111]

Introduction of draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.33, L.34 and L.41

5. Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [112 (a)]

Introduction of draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.35, L.36 and L.37

6. Human rights questions [112] (A/52/3, A/52/116, A/52/173, A/52/254-S/1997/567, A/52/262, A/52/286-S/1997/647, A/52/301-S/1997/668,, A/52/347, A/52/432, A/52/437, A/52/447-S/1997/775)

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8. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)] (A/52/497, A/52/502, A/52/515, A/52/527, A/52/472, A/52/476, A/52/479, A/52/484, A/52/486/Add.1/Corr.1*, A/52/490, A/52/493, A/52/496, A/52/499, A/52/505, A/52/506, A/52/510, A/52/522, A/52/583, A/52/61-S/1997/68, A/52/64, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/170)

9. Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [112 (d)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

10. Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [112 (e)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

Continuation of the general discussion

* To be issued.

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 114 (Review of the efficiency of the administration and financial functioning of the United Nations: Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/51/933, A/52/339 and Add.1 and A/52/575)) and 138 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (A/51/519/Add.5 and Corr.1 and A/52/546))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment for the expenses of the United Nations (A/51/11 and Corr.1-2))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 4

Measures to eliminate international terrorism [152] (A/52/304 and Add.1 and Corr.1, A/52/37, A/C.6/52/L.3)

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirtieth session [148]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.6/52/L.6 and Corr.1 and A/C.6/52/L.7 and Corr.1

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft resolution concerning the establishment of an international criminal court

3 p.m.	28th meeting	Conference Room 4

Measures to eliminate international terrorism [152] (A/52/304 and Add.1 and Corr.1, A/52/37, A/C.6/52/L.3)

WORKING GROUP ON THE UNITED NATIONS DECADE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Afternoon**-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

* Following the adjournment of the 27th meeting.

** Following the adjournment of the 28th meeting.

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COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH THE HOST COUNTRY

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	189th meeting	Conference Room 6

1. Consideration of the addendum to the report of the Committee and the draft recommendations and conclusions (A/AC.154/1997/CRP.2/Add.1 and A/AC.154/1997/CRP.3)
2. Other matters

COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION

Nineteenth session

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	8th meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

General debate and consideration of substantive questions

Preparation and adoption of the report of the Committee to the General Assembly at its fifty-second session

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Programme budget for the biennium 1996-97: Currency and inflation (A/C.5/51/57)

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)
2.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Thursday, 13 November 1997

MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES
(informal consultations on the draft resolution on the right to development)

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77 OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE
(on the programme budget and the scale of assessments)

1.30 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on items 97 (h) and 100)

1.45 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on items 98 (e), (g) and 97 (f))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on items 95 (b) and 96 (b))

4 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of the co-sponsors of the draft resolution on the situation of human rights in the territory of the former Yugoslavia (Agenda item 112 (Human rights questions)) *today*, 13 November 1997, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room B.

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Announcement

As from Monday, 3 November 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 14 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	23rd meeting	Conference Room 1

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 1

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	36th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	37th meeting	Conference Room 2

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	29th meeting	Conference Room 4
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	30th meeting	Conference Room 4

* Following the adjournment of the 29th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 20)

In accordance with the announcement made by the President of the General Assembly on 27 October 1997, the Coordinator of the Informal Consultations on item 20 and all its sub-items, H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria), will hold the second meeting of the Informal Consultations on Tuesday, 18 November 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8, for an exchange of views on the questions to be considered under the item and on the organization of the work of the Informal Consultations.

Bearing in mind that the debate on item 20 is scheduled to be held in the Plenary on Monday, 24 November, delegations are invited to present any initiative (draft resolution) they might have to the informal meeting on 12 November.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal meetings

Under the auspices of the Second Committee, the following executive briefings will be held:

Monday, 17 November 1997, from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4: Ms. Mary Robinson, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, on "Human rights and development" from ;

Wednesday, 19 November 1997: Mr. Kieran Prendergast, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, on "Peace building and development";

Thursday, 20 November 1997: Mr. Yasushi Akashi, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, on "Humanitarian crises and development".

The conference rooms and time of the briefings will be announced in due course.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will continue to hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee, as follows:

On 17 November: Mr. van der Stoel (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Iraq), Mr. Copithorne (Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the Situation of Human Rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran), and Mr. Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Burundi).

Dialogue

There will be a dialogue with the Chairperson of the Committee on the Rights of the Child, Ms. Sandra Mason, on Friday, 14 November 1997, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

There will be an informal briefing for interested delegations by the secretariat of the International Civil Service Commission on the work and functioning of the International Civil Service Commission on Friday, 14 November 1997, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations will be held to discuss the draft resolution concerning the security of humanitarian personnel (agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)) on Friday, 14 November 1997, from 1.30 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room B. All interested delegations are invited.

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Symposium

A symposium on the theme: "The United Nations and the Global Environment in the 21st Century: From Common Challenges to Shared Responsibilities", organized by the United Nations University, in cooperation with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), will be held on Friday and Saturday, 14 and 15 November 1997, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

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Informal briefing

On behalf of the Friends of Microcredit at the United Nations, the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh, will hold an informal briefing on the follow-up of the Microcredit Summit held in Washington D.C. from 2 to 4 February 1997, to be chaired by H.E. Mr. Anwarul Karim Chowdhury, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations, on Monday, 17 November 1997, at 5.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The main presentation will be given by Professor Muhammad Yunus, Managing Director, Grameen Bank. In addition, a presentation will be given by Mr. Sam Daley-Harris, Director, Microcredit Summit Campaign. Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 11 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 32nd meeting

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [109]

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard an introductory statement by the Director, New York Office, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Finland (also on behalf of Denmark, Iceland, Norway and Sweden), Mexico, Guatemala, Papua New Guinea, Ukraine, the United States, New Zealand, Brazil, Chile, Argentina, the Russian Federation, Colombia, Guyana and Bolivia.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

*Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.28**

The representative of the Russian Federation, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Japan and Turkmenistan, introduced the draft resolution.

*Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.29**

The representative of Finland, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Afghanistan, Albania, Burkina Faso, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Malawi, Morocco, Mozambique, Nicaragua, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Suriname, Turkmenistan and Uganda, introduced the draft resolution.

Organization of work

The Chairman reminded the Committee that, beginning on 12 November, the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives on human rights would present their reports. Following these presentations, the floor would be open for a brief period for delegations to make comments or address questions to the speaker. Given the breadth of sub-items (b), (c), (d) and (e), the Chairman proposed to extend the time-limits for statements as follows: for individual delegations speaking on one sub-item: 7 minutes; for individual delegations speaking on two sub-items: 10 minutes; for individual delegations speaking on all four sub-items: 15 minutes. The time limit for groups of delegations would be a maximum of 30 minutes.

Wednesday, 12 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

3831st meeting

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/1997/872, which had been submitted by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America. The President announced that Chile, Costa Rica, Japan, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea and Sweden had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution contained in document S/1997/872.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/1997/872).

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Costa Rica, Sweden, Portugal, Japan, Poland, Chile, Egypt, Kenya, Guinea-Bissau, France and the Republic of Korea.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1997/872) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1137 (1997).

Following the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, the United Kingdom and the Russian Federation, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of China.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

48th plenary meeting

Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency [14]:

(a) *Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Agency (A/52/285);*

(b) *Draft resolution (A/52/L.13).*

The President made a statement.

The Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency presented the report of the Agency for the year 1996.

The representative of Japan made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/52/L.13.

Statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Romania and Slovakia), Australia, India, Mexico, the Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, Armenia, the United States, Uruguay, New Zealand, Lithuania, Pakistan and Kuwait.

Programme of work

The President of the General Assembly informed members that the next meeting of the General Committee would be held on Friday morning, 21 November, at 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider a request by Jamaica for the inclusion of an additional item entitled "Admission of the International Seabed Authority to membership in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund" (documents A/52/233 and Add.1).

The President drew the Assembly's attention to document A/INF/52/3/Add.2 which contained a tentative programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings for the remainder of November and the first two weeks of December. The President further announced that the lists of speakers for the items contained in document A/INF/52/3/Add.2 were open.

49th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 49th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/221).

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 20th meeting

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 62 to 83 (A/C.1/52/INF.1)

The Committee continued the fourth phase of its work, namely, action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items.

The representative of Egypt introduced draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.5/Rev.2

A general statement on draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.5/Rev.2 was made by the representative of Israel.

In explanation of vote before the vote on draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.23/Rev.1 statements were made by the representatives of South Africa, Mexico, Cuba , the Islamic Republic of Iran and Israel.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.23/Rev.1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 121 to 2, with 19 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Portugal, Chile, Brazil, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Togo, Norway, Austria, Madagascar, Bangladesh and Slovenia.

In explanation of vote before the vote on draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.1*, statements were made by the representatives of Singapore, Pakistan, Cameroon and Viet Nam.

The Director of the Centre for Disarmament Affairs made a statement in connection with the financial implications of draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.1* contained in document A/C.1/52/L.47

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.1* was adopted by a recorded vote of 127 to none, with 19 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Algeria, Finland, Turkey, Azerbaijan, Egypt, Myanmar, Lebanon, India, Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Bulgaria and Israel.

In explanation of vote before the vote on draft resolution A/C.,1/52/L.5/Rev.2, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Israel and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Preambular paragraph 6 of the draft resolution was adopted by a recorded vote of 137 to 2, with 3 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.5/Rev.2 as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 124 to 2, with 17 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Tunisia, India, Pakistan and Saudi Arabia.

Operative paragraph 3 of draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.35 was adopted by a recorded vote of 130 to 1, with 9 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.35 as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 109 to 4, with 36 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote , statements were made by the representatives of the United States (also on behalf of France and the United Kingdom), China, India, Israel, Egypt, the Republic of Korea, Slovakia and Liberia.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 16th meeting

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects [88]

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Pakistan, Nepal, Uruguay

(also on behalf of member countries of MERCOSUR (Argentina, Brazil and Paraguay), as well as Bolivia and Chile), the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Mexico, New Zealand, Algeria, Indonesia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Belarus, Romania, Norway, Kazakhstan, Tunisia, Viet Nam, Zambia and Ethiopia, as well as by the observer of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

SECOND COMMITTEE 38th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(f) *First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty*

The Committee began consideration of the item and had before it the documentation listed in the *Journal*.

An introductory statement was made by the Director of the Social Policy and Development Division of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Community; Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Associated country, Cyprus, as well as the EFTA country member of the European Economic Area, Norway, aligned themselves with this statement), the United States, Uruguay (also on behalf of Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile and Paraguay), China, Tunisia, Ethiopia, the Niger, Indonesia, the Republic of Korea, Japan and Bangladesh.

Statements were made by the representatives of the World Food Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund and the United Nations Development Programme.

The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations made a statement.

The representative of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

The Chairman informed the Committee that the deadline for submission of draft proposals under agenda item 95 (b) was at 6 p.m.

At the request of the representative of the United Republic of Tanzania, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, the Committee agreed to an extension of the deadline for submission of draft proposals under item 97 (h) to Friday, 14 November, at 6 p.m.

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(e) *Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)*

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.18

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and Chin .

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(g) *Women in development*

(h) *Human resources development*

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.17

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Environment and sustainable development [98]

(f) *Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States*

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.19

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

39th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(f) *First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty*

The Committee continued consideration of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Guyana, the Philippines, Algeria, Venezuela, Kuwait, Brazil, Benin, Yemen, Bahrain and the Syrian Arab Republic.

Statements were made by the observers for the Sovereign Military Order of Malta and the Holy See.

The representative of the United Nations Development Programme made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the International Labour Organization, the World Bank, the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization and the World Health Organization.

The Director of the Social Policy and Development Division of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs made a statement.

THIRD COMMITTEE 33rd meeting

Human rights questions [112]

(b) *Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms*

(c) *Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives*

(d) *Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action*

(e) *Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights*

The Committee began its general discussion of the sub-items.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar, Mr. R. Lallah, made a presentation.

The representative of Myanmar made a statement in response to the presentation of the Special Rapporteur.

The Special Rapporteur on the Elimination of all Forms of Religious Intolerance, Mr. A. Amor, made a presentation.

The representatives of Greece, Kuwait and the United Arab Republic made statements in response to the presentation of the Special Rapporteur.

The Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the Situation of Human Rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (formerly Zaire), Mr. R. Garreton, made a presentation.

The representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo made a statement in response to the presentation of the Special Rapporteur.

The representative of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights read the presentation of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan, Mr. Ch.H. Paik.

The representative of Afghanistan made a statement in response to the presentation.

The Independent Expert on the Situation of Human Rights in Haiti, Mr. A. Dieng, made a presentation.

The representatives of Venezuela and Haiti made statements in response to the presentation of the Special Rapporteur.

The Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Internally Displaced Persons, Mr. F. M. Deng, made a presentation.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 28th meeting

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [143] *(A/51/432, A/51/530 and Corr.1, A/51/801, A/52/426, A/52/464 and A/C.5/52/12)*

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [114]

Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/51/933 and A/52/339 and Add.1)

The Committee resumed its general discussion of these agenda items and heard statements by the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Cyprus), the United States, Poland, Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), Egypt, Cuba, Bangladesh, Japan and Mexico.

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services made a statement and responded to questions posed.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of item 143 and the relevant reports under item 114 pending a final statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement regarding revisions to the programme of work of the Committee for the remainder of the week.

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Nineteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 12 NOVEMBER 1997

303rd and 304th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee considered the third periodic report of Argentina (CAT/C/34/Add.5). In accordance with rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 10 September 1996

Ratification: Peru (12 November 1997)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations announces that a special signing center has been set up in room C-209B (between the Security Council and Trusteeship Council Chambers) for the purpose of accepting signatures from prospective co-sponsors of a draft resolution entitled "International Year of Volunteers: 2001", which will be introduced to the General Assembly on 20 November under agenda item 12. The center will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. until Friday, 14 November. For further information, please contact Mr. Yutaka Yoshino (521-1526) of the Japanese Mission.

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Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*,13 November 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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Training courses for permanent missions

The second set of off-site Internet training course has been scheduled by the Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) to take place from 17 to 24 November 1997. The list of attendees should be submitted by Monday, 10 November, to Ms. Glenda San Pedro (fax: 963-0952). The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 14 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

11 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Tajikistan (S/1997/859 and S/1997/887)*

Sierra Leone**

Other matters

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* To be followed by a formal meeting.
** Possibly followed by a formal meeting.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	23rd meeting	Conference Room 1

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under all agenda items (items 62-83) (A/C.1/52/INF/1)

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 1

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects [88] (A/52/209; A/C.4/52/L.9/Rev.1)

General debate

Adoption of draft resolution A/C.4/52/L.9/Rev.1

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals A/C.2/52/L.7 and L.9 (item 99 (b)), A/C.2/52/L.16 (item 96 (a))

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals A/C.2/52/L.12 (item 97 (b)), A/C.2/52/L.15 (item 97 (c)), A/C.2/52/L.16 (item 96 (a)) and A/C.2/52/L.13 (item 96 (b))

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. — 36th meeting — Conference Room 2

1. Human rights questions [112] (A/52/3, A/52/116, A/52/173, A/52/254-S/1997/567, A/52/262, A/52/286-S/1997/647, A/52/301-S/1997/668, A/52/347, A/52/432, A/52/ 437, A/52/447-S/1997/775)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)] (A/52/468, A/52/469 and Add.1, A/52/473, A/52/474, A/52/475, A/52/483, A/52/489, A/52/494, A/52/498, A/52/548, A/52/567, A/52/477, A/52/66, A/52/81-S/1997/153, A/52/85-S/1997/180, A/52/117, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/133-S/1997/348, A/52/134-S/1997/349, A/52/135, A/52/151, A/52/182, A/52/204, A/52/205)

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)] (A/52/497, A/52/502, A/52/515, A/52/527, A/52/472, A/52/476, A/52/479, A/52/484, A/52/486/Add.1/Rev.1*, A/52/490, A/52/493, A/52/496, A/52/499, A/52/505, A/52/506, A/52/510, A/52/522, A/52/583, A/52/61-S/1997/68, A/52/64, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/170)

4. Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [112 (d)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

5. Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [112 (e)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

   Introductory statement by the High Commissioner for Human Rights

   Dialogue with the High Commissioner for Human Rights

3 p.m.-6 p.m. — 37th meeting — Conference Room 2

1. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [109]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.40 and Corr.1

2. Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [112 (a)]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.36

3. Advancement of women [105]

   Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.15/Rev.1

4. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107]

   Action on draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.27, L.28, L.29* and L.30*

5. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [108]

   Action on draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.24, L.25 and L.39

6. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [110]

   Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.32

7. Right of Peoples to Self-determination [111]

   Action on draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.33 and L.34

8. Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [112 (a)]

   Action on draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.35 and L.37

9. Human rights questions [112] (A/52/3, A/52/116, A/52/173, A/52/254-S/1997/567, A/52/262, A/52/286-S/1997/647, A/52/301-S/1997/668, A/52/347, A/52/432, A/52/ 437, A/52/447-S/1997/775)

10. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)] (A/52/468, A/52/469 and Add.1, A/52/473, A/52/474, A/52/475, A/52/483, A/52/489, A/52/494, A/52/498, A/52/548, A/52/567, A/52/477, A/52/66, A/52/81-S/1997/153, A/52/85-S/1997/180, A/52/117, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/133-S/1997/348, A/52/134-S/1997/349, A/52/135, A/52/151, A/52/182, A/52/204, A/52/205)

11. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)] (A/52/497, A/52/502, A/52/515, A/52/527, A/52/472, A/52/476, A/52/479, A/52/484, A/52/486/Add.1/Rev.1*, A/52/490, A/52/493, A/52/496, A/52/499, A/52/505, A/52/506, A/52/510, A/52/522, A/52/583, A/52/61-S/1997/68, A/52/64, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/170)

12. Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [112 (d)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

13. Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [112 (e)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

    Continuation of the general discussion

* To be issued.

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	29th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors [113] (A/52/261, A/52/381 and A/52/518)

   (b) United Nations Institute for Training and Research (A/52/5/Add.4)

   (c) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (A/52/5/Add.5)

   Continuation of general discussion

2. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [143] (A/51/432, A/51/530 and Corr.1, A/51/801, A/52/426, A/52/464 and A/C.5/52/12)

   Conclusion of general discussion

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Joint Inspection Unit (A/51/34, A/52/34, A/51/559 and Corr.1, A/52/206 and A/52/267))

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* Following the adjournment of the 29th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	29th meeting	Conference Room 4

Measures to eliminate international terrorism [152] (A/52/304 and Add.1 and Corr.1, A/52/37, A/C.6/52/L.3)

Amendment to article 13 of the Statute of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal [155]

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.11

3 p.m.	30th meeting	Conference Room 4

United Nations Decade of International Law [146]

Measures to eliminate international terrorism [152] (A/52/304 and Add.1 and Corr.1, A/52/37, A/C.6/52/L.3)

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the report of the International Law Commission

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* Following the adjournment of the 30th meeting.

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COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION

Nineteenth session

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	8th meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

General debate and consideration of substantive questions

Preparation and adoption of the report of the Committee to the General Assembly at its fifty-second session

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Executive session on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999

2. Draft report (United Nations International Drug Control Programme)

3. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-97: Currency and inflation (A/C.5/51/57)

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)
2.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)

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THIRD COMMITTEE

Dialogue

There will be a dialogue with the Chairperson of the Committee on the Rights of the Child, Ms. Sandra Mason, *today*, 14 November 1997, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in *Conference Room 2*. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

Briefing

There will be an informal briefing for interested delegations by the secretariat of the International Civil Service Commission on the work and functioning of the International Civil Service Commission *today*, 14 November 1997, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 14 November 1997

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on items 98 (g), 12 and 97 (f))

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

AFRICAN GROUP:
GROUP OF EXPERTS ON ECONOMIC MATTERS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

CENTRAL AMERICAN GROUP

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room B

GROUP OF 77 OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE
(on the programme budget)

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on items 97 (f) and (h) and 100)

2 p.m.-3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE WHOLE
(at the ambassadorial level)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 3

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations will be held to discuss the draft resolution concerning the security of humanitarian personnel (agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)) *today*, 14 November 1997, from 1.30 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room B. All interested delegations are invited.

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There will be open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolutions on agenda item 39 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea: law of the sea) *today*, 14 November 1997, at 5 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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Briefing

The human rights Special Rapporteurs and Representatives on country and thematic mandates will hold a briefing for non-governmental organizations *today*, 14 November 1997, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room A.

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Symposium

A symposium on the theme: "The United Nations and the Global Environment in the 21st Century: From Common Challenges to Shared Responsibilities", organized by the United Nations University, in cooperation with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), will be held *today*, 14 November 1997, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. and *tomorrow*, 15 November, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

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Announcement

As from Monday, 3 November 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 17 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	18th meeting	Conference Room 2

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	41st meeting	Conference Room 4
Afternoon*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

* Following the adjournment of the 41st meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	38th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	39th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	30th meeting	Conference Room 3

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	31st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	32nd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 157 (United Nations reform: measures and proposals)

The 13th meeting of the Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 157 (United Nations reform: measures and proposals) will be held on Monday, 17 November 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider further the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General (A/51/950).

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INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 20)

In accordance with the announcement made by the President of the General Assembly on 27 October 1997, the Coordinator of the Informal Consultations on item 20 and all its sub-items, H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria), will hold the second meeting of the Informal Consultations on Tuesday, 18 November 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8, for an exchange of views on the questions to be considered under the item and on the organization of the work of the Informal Consultations.

Bearing in mind that the debate on item 20 is scheduled to be held in the Plenary on Monday, 24 November, delegations are invited to present any initiative (draft resolution) they might have to the informal meeting on 18 November.

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 18th meeting on Monday, 17 November 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2, to begin consideration of agenda item 89 (Questions relating to information). Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to agenda item 89 are kindly requested to notify the Secretariat (room S-3380, tel: 963-9223).

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal meetings

Under the auspices of the Second Committee, the following executive briefings will be held:

Monday, 17 November 1997, **from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4: Ms. Mary Robinson, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, on "Human rights and development";**

Wednesday, 19 November 1997 **from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.: Mr. Kieran Prendergast, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, on "Peace building and development";**

Thursday, 20 November 1997 **from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.: Mr. Yasushi Akashi, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, on "Humanitarian crises and development".**

The conference rooms will be announced in due course.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will continue to hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee, as follows:

On 17 November: **Mr. van der Stoel (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Iraq), Mr. Copithorne (Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the Situation of Human Rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran), and Mr. Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Burundi).**

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Briefings

On behalf of the Friends of Microcredit at the United Nations, the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh, will hold an informal briefing on the follow-up of the Microcredit Summit held in Washington D.C. from 2 to 4 February 1997, to be chaired by H.E. Mr. Anwarul Karim Chowdhury, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations, on Monday, 17 November 1997, at 5.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The main presentation will be given by Professor Muhammad Yunus, Managing Director, Grameen Bank. In addition, a presentation will be given by Mr. Sam Daley-Harris, Director, Microcredit Summit Campaign. Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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The Commonwealth Secretary-General, H.E. Chief Emeka Anyaoku, will hold a briefing for the Permanent Representatives of Commonwealth Member States of the United Nations on Tuesday, 18 November 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Informal presentation

The International Labour Organization Liaison Office in New York will hold a seminar on "The ILO and the Australian workplace" on Thursday, 20 November 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. in Conference Room 8. The speaker will be Mr. Nick Ruskin, industrial relations lawyer.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 12 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

49th plenary meeting

Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency [14]:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Agency (A/52/285);

(b) Draft Resolution (A/52/L.13)

Statements were made by the representatives of Belarus, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Kazakhstan, South Africa, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Ukraine, Kenya, Cuba and Hungary.

Statements in explanation of the vote before the vote were made by the representatives of India, Iraq and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The Assembly proceeded to a vote on draft resolution A/52/L.13. The results were as follows:

	Yes	*No*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution A/52/L.13 Third preambular paragraph (recorded vote)	137	4	1
Draft resolution A/52/L.13 Operative paragraph 7 (recorded vote)	114	2	18
Draft resolution A/52/L.13 as a whole (recorded vote) (resolution 52/11)	151	1	5

Statements in explanation of the vote after the vote were made by the representatives of China, Pakistan, Viet Nam, the Russian Federation, Israel, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Lebanon, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Sudan, Nicaragua and Uganda.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Azerbaijan, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Armenia and the Republic of Korea.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 14.

United Nations reform: measures and proposals [157]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/950 and Add.1 to 6)

(b) Draft Resolution (A/52/L.17)

The President made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The President made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/52/L.17.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Algeria, Ecuador, Pakistan, Cuba, Papua New Guinea and Swaziland.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/52/L.17 (resolution 52/12).

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), Colombia (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Egypt, Mexico, Norway, Canada (also on behalf of Australia and New Zealand), China, the Syrian Arab Republic, Indonesia, Japan, Israel, the Republic of Korea, Brazil and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The President informed members that the Assembly would continue its consideration of agenda item 157 at a later stage.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE — 21st meeting

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 62 to 83 (A/C.1/52/INF/1)

The Committee continued the fourth phase of its work, namely, action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items.

The representative of Pakistan introduced draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.39/Rev.1.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.39/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of position before the vote on draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.8/Rev.1, the representative of the Niger made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.8/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

General statements on draft resolutions dealing with disarmament machinery were made by the representatives of Mexico, Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union) and Pakistan.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.16 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.20 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.21 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.9 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of their positions after the adoption of the resolution, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union) and Israel.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.10/Rev.1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 138 to none, with 8 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, the representative of the Republic of Korea made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.12 was adopted by a recorded vote of 104 to 3, with 38 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States and Albania.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.14* was adopted by a recorded vote of 88 to 42, with 17 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, the representative of China made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.18* was adopted without a vote.

Draft decision A/C.1/52/L.13 was adopted by a recorded vote of 96 to none, with 48 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.45* was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of their positions after the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Pakistan, Egypt, Israel and India.

In explanation of its position on draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.34/Rev.1, before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Ukraine.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.34/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

The representatives of Liberia, Jordan and the Dominican Republic made statements.

The representative of Iraq made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Thursday, 13 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

3832nd meeting

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/1997/51).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Tenth emergency special session

6th plenary meeting

Resumption of the tenth emergency special session

The President of the General Assembly declared resumed the tenth emergency special session of the Assembly pursuant to Assembly resolution ES-10/3 of 15 July 1997.

The President drew the attention of delegations to documents A/ES-10/17, A/ES-10/18 and A/ES-10/19.

The President informed members that, in accordance with rule 63 of the rules of procedures of the General Assembly, the President and the Vice-Presidents of the fifty-second session would serve in the same capacity at the resumed tenth emergency special session.

On the proposal of the President, the General Assembly decided that the Credentials Committee at the resumed tenth emergency special session would consist of the same members as those appointed at the fifty-second session.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/ES-10/3/Add.2)

The General Assembly took note that Chad, Dominica, Equatorial Guinea, Grenada, the Republic of Moldova and Togo had made the necessary payments to reduce their arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter.

Illegal Israeli actions in occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory [5]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/ES-10/16 and Add.1);

(b) Draft resolution (A/ES-10/L.3)

The General Assembly decided to hear the observer of Switzerland in the debate during the resumed tenth emergency special session.

In accordance with Assembly resolutions 3237 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974 and 43/177 of 15 December 1988, the observer of Palestine made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Israel, Senegal (Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People), Jordan, Egypt, the United Arab Emirates, India, Indonesia, Algeria, Bangladesh, Guyana, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union and of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), Colombia, Malaysia and Ukraine.

7th plenary meeting

Illegal Israeli actions in occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory [5]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/ES-10/16 and Add.1);

(b) Draft resolution (A/ES-10/L.3)

Statements were made by the representatives of Singapore, the Russian Federation, Zimbabwe, Tunisia, the United States, Pakistan, Yemen, South Africa, Namibia, Kuwait, the Syrian Arab Republic and Cuba.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 45/6 of 16 October 1990, the observer for the International Committee of the Red Cross made a statement.

In accordance with the decision taken by the General Assembly at its sixth plenary meeting, the observer of Switzerland made a statement.

The representative of Jordan made a statement in the course of which he introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/ES-10/L.3.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Swaziland, Canada, Japan and Norway.

By 139 votes in favour to 3 against, with 13 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/ES-10/L.3 as orally revised (resolution ES-10/4).

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Australia, the Syrian Arab Republic, Israel and the Republic of Korea.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Israel and Egypt.

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 3237 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974 and 43/177 of 15 December 1988, the observer of Palestine made a statement.

The General Assembly thus temporarily adjourned its tenth emergency special session.

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 22nd meeting

The Committee continued the fourth phase of its work, namely, action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items.

The representatives of Japan and Algeria introduced draft resolutions A/C.1/52/L.27/Rev.1 and A/C.1/52/L.36/ Rev.1, respectively.

General statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan and Japan.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.36/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of their positions after the adoption of the resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Israel and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement drawing attention to the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.6 contained in document A/C.1/52/L.50

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.6 was adopted without a vote.

SECOND COMMITTEE 40th meeting

Environment and sustainable development [98]

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

(d) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction

The Committee began consideration of the item and had before it the documentation listed in the *Journal*.

A statement was made by the representative of Italy, on behalf of the President of the First Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification.

Introductory statements were made by the Executive Secretary of the Convention to Combat Desertification and the Director of Secretariat of the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union; Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, and the associate country, Cyprus, aligned themselves with this statement), Benin (on behalf of the African Group of States), the Marshall Islands, Japan, Botswana (also on behalf of Angola, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Lesotho, Mozambique, Malawi, Mauritius, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe), Mexico, Madagascar, Israel, Tunisia, Burkina Faso, Kenya, Norway, the Republic of Korea, Iceland, Ghana, Turkey, China and the Niger.

The representative of the United Nations Development Programme made a statement.

41st meeting

Environment and sustainable development [98]

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

(d) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction

The Committee continued consideration of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of San Marino and Senegal.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the World Meteorological Organization and the International Fund for Agricultural Development.

The Committee thus concluded the general discussion on agenda item 98 (b) and (d).

Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research [100]

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the Joint Inspection Unit made an introductory statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina and the Dominican Republic.

The Committee thus concluded the general discussion on agenda item 100.

Macroeconomic policy questions [95]

(b) Trade and development

The Committee resumed consideration of the item and heard a statement by the representative of the United States.

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and the Sudan.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

THIRD COMMITTEE 34th meeting

Human rights questions [112]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

The Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro), Mrs. Elizabeth Rehn, made a presentation.

The representative of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia made a statement in response to the presentation of the Special Rapporteur.

The Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Human Rights in Cambodia, Mr. Thomas Hammarberg, made a presentation.

The Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in the Sudan, Mr. Gaspar Biro, made a presentation.

The representative of the Sudan made a statement in response to the presentation of the Special Rapporteur.

The Special Representative on the Situation of Human Rights in Rwanda, Mr. Michel Moussali, made a presentation.

The representative of Rwanda made a statement in response to the presentation of the Special Representative.

The Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Cuba, Mr. Carl Johan Groth, made a presentation.

The representative of Cuba made a statement in response to the presentation of the Special Rapporteur.

Statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union), Iraq, Costa Rica and the United States of America.

A statement was also made by the observer for the Holy See.

35th meeting

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [108]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Draft amendments to draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.25, contained in A/C.3/52/L.39

The representative of the United States introduced the proposed amendments to draft the draft resolution.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [110]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft proposals

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.31

The Chairman announced that Turkey should have been an original sponsor to the draft resolution.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China and Turkey, introduced the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.32

The representative of Slovenia, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Belgium, Croatia, El Salvador, Portugal and Turkmenistan, introduced the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.38

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, Mexico and Turkey, introduced the draft resolution.

Right of peoples to self-determination [111]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft proposals

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.33

The representative of Nigeria, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Algeria, introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.34

The representative of Pakistan, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, introduced the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.41

The representative of Egypt, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Brunei Darussalam, introduced the draft resolution.

Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [112 (a)]

Introduction of draft proposals

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.35

The representative of Mexico, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Cape Verde, Guatemala, Guyana, Nigeria and Yemen, introduced the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.37

The representative of Norway, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Australia, Hungary, New Zealand, Monaco, Panama and Portugal, introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

Human rights questions [112]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee resumed its general discussion of the sub-items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Brazil, Albania, Lebanon, Cameroon, Sri Lanka and Singapore.

The representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo made a statement in response to the presentation by the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the Situation of Human Rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (formerly Zaire).

Right of reply

The representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Saudi Arabia, the Niger, Iraq, Cuba, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Nigeria, Uganda and China made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

A statement was made by the representative of Cuba.

Organization of work

The Committee was informed about the programme of work for Friday, 14 November.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 27th and 28th meetings

Note: The summary of the 27th and 28th meetings of the Sixth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/222).

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COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH THE HOST COUNTRY 189th meeting

The Chairman spoke.

Consideration of the addendum to the report of the Committee and the draft recommendations and conclusions (A/AC.154/1997/CRP.2/Add.1 and A/AC.154/1997/CRP.3)

The Rapporteur introduced the addendum and the draft recommendations and conclusions.

A statement was made by the observer for Cuba.

Statements were made by the representatives of Côte d'Ivoire, the United Kingdom, Cyprus, the Russian Federation, Spain, Costa Rica, Canada and the United States.

The Committee adopted the addendum and the recommendations and conclusions and thus adopted its annual report as a whole.

Other matters

The Chairman spoke.

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Nineteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 13 NOVEMBER 1997

305th and 306th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee considered the second periodic report of Portugal (CAT/C/25/Add.10).

In accordance with rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Amendment to article 43 (2) of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, adopted by the Conference of the States Parties on 12 December 1995

Acceptance: United Arab Emirates (11 November 1997)*

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa, opened for signature at Paris on 14 October 1994

Accession: Jamaica (12 November 1997)*

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* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations announces that a special signing center has been set up in room C-209B (between the Security Council and Trusteeship Council Chambers) for the purpose of accepting signatures from prospective co-sponsors of a draft resolution entitled "International Year of Volunteers: 2001", which will be introduced to the General Assembly on 20 November under agenda item 12. The center will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. until *today*, 14 November. For further information, please contact Mr. Yutaka Yoshino (521-1526) of the Japanese Mission.

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Training courses for permanent missions

The second set of off-site Internet training course has been scheduled by the Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) to take place from 17 to 24 November 1997. The list of attendees should be submitted by Monday, 10 November, to Ms. Glenda San Pedro (fax: 963-0952). The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 17 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 748 (1992) CONCERNING THE LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA

3.30 p.m.*	78th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7

* The Chairman of the Committee will give an oral briefing to interested members of the United Nations in Conference Room 7, immediately following the meeting.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 157 (United Nations reform: measures and proposals)

3 p.m.	13th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 4

Further consideration of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General (A/51/950)

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 1

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under all agenda items (items 62-83) (A/C.1/52/INF/1 and Add.1)

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	18th meeting	Conference Room 1

Questions relating to information (A/52/21, A/52/455 and Corr.1) [89]

General debate

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals A/C.2/52/L.6 (item 101), A/C.2/52/L.13 (item 96 (b)); the recommendations contained in Economic and Social Council decisions 1997/217, 1997/223, 1997/ 308 and resolutions 1997/42 and 43 (see A/52/3, Chapter I and documents A/52/8 and E/1997/49) (item 12); and the draft proposal A/C.2/52/L.17 (item 97 (g))

3.30 p.m.	42nd meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Macroeconomic policy questions [95]

   (b) Trade and development

   Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.2/52/L.23, L.24 and L.26

2. Environment and sustainable development [98]

   (b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.22

   (c) Protection of the global climate for present and future generations of mankind

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.21

   (d) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.20

   (e) Convention of Biological Diversity

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.25

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals A/C.2/52/L.17 (item 97 (g)) and A/C.2/52/L.18 (item 97 (e))

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* Following the adjournment of the 42nd meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	38th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Human rights questions [112] (A/52/3, A/52/116, A/52/173, A/52/254-S/1997/567, A/52/262, A/52/286-S/1997/647, A/52/301-S/1997/668, A/52/347, A/52/432, A/52/437, A/52/447-S/1997/775)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)] (A/52/468, A/52/469 and Add.1, A/52/473, A/52/474, A/52/475, A/52/483, A/52/489, A/52/494, A/52/498, A/52/548, A/52/567, A/52/477, A/52/66, A/52/81-S/1997/153, A/52/85-S/1997/180, A/52/117, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/133-S/1997/348, A/52/134-S/1997/349, A/52/135, A/52/151, A/52/182, A/52/204, A/52/205)

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)] (A/52/497, A/52/502, A/52/515, A/52/527, A/52/472, A/52/476, A/52/479, A/52/484, A/52/486/Add.1/Rev.1, A/52/490, A/52/493, A/52/496, A/52/499, A/52/505, A/52/506, A/52/510, A/52/522, A/52/583, A/52/61-S/1997/68, A/52/64, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/170)

4. Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [112 (d)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

5. Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [112 (e)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

Continuation of the general discussion

Introductory statements by:

Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Iraq
Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the Situation of Human Rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran
Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Burundi

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	39th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Implementation of the Outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women [106]

Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.42

2. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [109]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.40/Rev.1

3. Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [112 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.36

4. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [108]

Action on draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.25 and L.39

5. Human rights questions [112] (A/52/3, A/52/116, A/52/173, A/52/254-S/1997/567, A/52/262, A/52/286-S/1997/647, A/52/301-S/1997/668, A/52/347, A/52/432, A/52/437, A/52/447-S/1997/775)

6. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)] (A/52/468, A/52/469 and Add.1, A/52/473, A/52/474, A/52/475, A/52/483, A/52/489, A/52/494, A/52/498, A/52/548, A/52/567, A/52/477, A/52/66, A/52/81-S/1997/153, A/52/85-S/1997/180, A/52/117, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/133-S/1997/348, A/52/134-S/1997/349, A/52/135, A/52/151, A/52/182, A/52/204, A/52/205)

7. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)] (A/52/497, A/52/502, A/52/515, A/52/527, A/52/472, A/52/476, A/52/479, A/52/484, A/52/486/Add.1/Rev.1, A/52/490, A/52/493, A/52/496, A/52/499, A/52/505, A/52/506, A/52/510, A/52/522, A/52/583, A/52/61-S/1997/68, A/52/64, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/170)

8. Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [112 (d)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

9. Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [112 (e)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

Continuation of the general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	30th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors [113] (A/52/261, A/52/381 and A/52/518)

(b) United Nations Institute for Training and Research (A/52/5/Add.4)

(c) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (A/52/5/Add.5)

Conclusion of general discussion

2. United Nations common system [121] (A/52/30 and A/52/439)

Introduction and general discussion

3. Human resources management [153] (A/52/438, A/C.5/51/55 and Corr.1, A/52/7, paras. 107 to 112, A/C.5/ 52/2 and A/52/574)

Continuation of general discussion

Morning*- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 138 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (A/51/519/Add.5 and Corr.1 and A/52/546))

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* Following the adjournment of the 30th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on draft resolution on agenda item 144 (Convention on jurisdictional immunities of States and their property)

Morning*- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on agenda item 147 (Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-ninth session)

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on draft resolution on agenda item152 (Measures to eliminate international terrorism)

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* Following the adjournment of the informal consultations on agenda item 144.

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COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH THE HOST COUNTRY

5 p.m.- 6 p.m.	190th meeting	Conference Room 5

1. Election of the Chairman of the Committee
2. Chairmanship of the Working Group on Indebtedness

COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION

Nineteenth session

10 a.m.- 11.30 p.m.	9th meeting	Conference Room 1

Preparation and adoption of the report of the Committee to the General Assembly at its fifty-second session

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303)

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)
2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal meeting

Under the auspices of the Second Committee, an executive briefing will be held:

Monday, 17 November 1997, from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3: Ms. Mary Robinson, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, on "Human rights and development".

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Saturday, 15 November 1997

Symposium

A symposium on the theme: "The United Nations and the Global Environment in the 21st Century: From Common Challenges to Shared Responsibilities", organized by the United Nations University, in cooperation with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), will be held *today*, 15 November, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Monday, 17 November 1997

GROUP OF 77
(on the United Nations reform)

10.30 p.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE: CONTACT GROUP ON JAMMU AND KASHMIR

11 a.m.-12 noon	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on draft proposals A/C.2/52/L.14, L.15 and L.13)

11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room B

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE: OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP ON THE UNITED NATIONS REFORM AND THE INCREASE IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

12 noon-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 12)

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room B

GROUP OF 77 OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE
(on the programme budget)

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STATES GROUP OF THE WHOLE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations for interested delegations will be held on draft resolution A/52/L.4/Rev.1 on agenda item 156 (Culture of peace) on Monday, 17 November 1997, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 9 .

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Briefing

On behalf of the Friends of Microcredit at the United Nations, the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh, will hold a briefing session on the follow-up of the Microcredit Summit held in Washington D.C. from 2 to 4 February 1997. The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Anwarul Karim Chowdhury, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations, on Monday, 17 November 1997, at 5.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The main presentation will be given by Professor Muhammad Yunus, Managing Director, Grameen Bank. Other speakers are: Mr. Rafeeuddin Ahmed, Associate Administrator, UNDP; Ms Noeleen Heyzer, Director, UNIFEM; Mr. Sam Daley-Harris, Director, Microcredit Summit Campaign; and Ms. Janet Thompson, Vice-President, Global Community Relations Citicorp. All delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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Announcement

As from Monday, 3 November 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 18 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 1

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	40th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	41st meeting	Conference Room 2

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	31st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 20)

Informal Consultations draft proposals under on item 20 and all its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria) on Tuesday, 18 November 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal meetings

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Wednesday, 19 November 1997 from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.: Mr. Kieran Prendergast, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, on "Peace building and development";

Thursday, 20 November 1997 from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.: Mr. Yasushi Akashi, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, on "Humanitarian crises and development".

The conference rooms will be announced in due course.

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SECURITY COUNCIL

The 163rd (closed) meeting* of the Security Council Committee established by resolution 661 (1990) concerning the situation between Iraq and Kuwait will take place on Tuesday, 18 November 1997, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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* The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested members of the United Nations in Conference Room 7 immediately after the meeting. Following the oral briefing to the members, the Chairman will give a briefing to the press in the same room.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Informal presentation

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SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 13 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE 27th and 28th meetings

Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism [152]

The Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee established by General Assembly resolution 51/210, Mr. Phillipe Kirsch (Canada), introduced the report of the Ad Hoc Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of Costa Rica, the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), Paraguay (on behalf of the Group of Rio), Japan, Mali, Saudi Arabia, Malawi, the Republic of Korea, Brunei Darussalam, Romania, Sri Lanka, Israel, Algeria, Tunisia, China, El Salvador, Malaysia, Maldives, Ukraine, Colombia, Turkey, Pakistan and Nigeria.

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirtieth session [148]

The representative of Austria introduced draft resolutions A/C.6/52/L.6 and Corr.1 and A/C.6/52/L.7 and orally amended draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.6.

It was announced that Iceland, Jamaica and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia had joined the list of co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.6 and Corr.1.

It was announced that Germany, Iceland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Uruguay, Japan and Colombia has joined the list of co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.7 and Corr.1.

Draft resolutions A/C.6/52/L.6, as orally amended, and draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.7 were adopted without a vote.

The representatives of the Russian Federation and China spoke.

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [151]

It was announced that Namibia and Finland had joined the list of co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.9.

Friday, 14 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

3833rd meeting

The situation in Tajikistan and along the Tajik-Afghan border

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Tajikistan (S/1997/859)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Tajikistan, at his request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/1997/887, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, the United States, Japan, Sweden, the United Kingdom, France, the Republic of Korea, Portugal, Chile, Costa Rica, Poland, Kenya, Egypt and Guinea-Bissau, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of China.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/1997/887).

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1997/887) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1138 (1997).

3834th meeting

The situation in Sierra Leone

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Sierra Leone, at his request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/1997/52).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 23rd meeting

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 62 to 83 (A/C.1/52/INF.1)

The Committee continued the fourth phase of its work, namely, action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items.

The representatives of Japan, Colombia and Egypt spoke on draft resolutions A/C.1/52/L.27/Rev.1, A/C.1/52/L.11/Rev.2 and A/C.1/52/L.2, respectively.

Operative paragraph 5(b) of draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.43 was adopted by a recorded vote of 127 to none, with 8 abstentions.

Operative paragraph 7 was adopted by a recorded vote of 123 to none, with 14 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.43 as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 132 to none with 10 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of China, Egypt, the Syrian Arab Republic, Myanmar, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Sri Lanka, the Sudan, Cuba, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Algeria, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia and Monaco.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.3 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.11/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of their positions after the adoption of the resolution, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union), the Russian Federation and Israel.

In explanation of vote before the vote on resolution A/C.1/52/L.42/Rev.1, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, the United States, Australia, China and Kenya

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.42/Rev.1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 93 to 42, with 9 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union), South Africa, New Zealand, Israel, Turkey, Ghana and Argentina.

The representative of Pakistan made a statement.

In explanation of vote before the vote on draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.27/ Rev.1, statements were made by the representatives of Singapore, Japan, Mexico and Brazil.

The representatives of the United Kingdom and the United States withdrew co-sponsorship of the draft resolution by their respective countries. The representative of Pakistan made a statement.

Preambular paragraph 5 of draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.27/ Rev. 1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 120 to none, with 23 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.27/Rev.1 as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 137 to none, with 8 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of China, the Russian Federation, Egypt, the United States, Cuba, Israel, Pakistan, Algeria and Nigeria.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 17th meeting

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects [88]

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Kyrgyzstan, Slovakia, Georgia, Kenya, Cyprus, Mongolia, the United States, Poland, Ukraine, Botswana and Bangladesh.

The Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations made a statement.

The Under-Secretary-General replied to a question posed to him by the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/52/L.9/Rev.1 without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded consideration of agenda item 88.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

THIRD COMMITTEE 36th and 37th meetings

Note: The summary of the 36th and 37th meetings of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/223).

FIFTH COMMITTEE 29th meeting

Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors [113]*(A/52/261, A/52/381 and A/52/518)*

(b) *United Nations Institute for Training and Research (A/52/5/Add.4)*

(c) *Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (A/52/5/Add.5)*

The Committee resumed its general discussion of this agenda item and heard statements by the representatives of Norway, the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Japan, the United States and Belgium (on behalf of the European Union).

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [143] *(A/51/432, A/51/530 and Corr.1, A/51/801, A/52/426, A/52/464 and A/C.5/52/12)*

The Committee resumed its general discussion of this agenda item. The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services responded to questions raised at the Committee's 28th meeting on 12 November 1997.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and Mexico.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this agenda item.

Organization of work

The Committee decided, to invite the representatives of the Federation of International Civil Servants' Associations and the Coordination Committee for International Staff Unions and Associations to make oral statements on Monday, 17 November 1997, in connection with agenda item 121 (United Nations common system).

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, Cuba and the United States.

The Chairman drew the attention of the Committee to the programme of work for the week of 17-21 November.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 29th and 30th meetings

Note: The summary of the 29th and 30th meetings of the Sixth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/223).

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COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION
Nineteenth session 8th meeting

Note: The summary of the 8th meeting of the Committee on Information will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/223).

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Nineteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

FRIDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 1997

307th and 308th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee considered the third periodic report of Switzerland (CAT/C/34/Add.6).

In accordance with rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Agreement on the Establishment of the International Vaccine Institute, opened for signature at New York on 28 October 1996

Signature: Jamaica (14 November 1997)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Training courses for permanent missions

The second set of off-site Internet training course has been scheduled by the Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) to take place from 17 to 24 November 1997. The list of attendees should be submitted by Monday, 10 November, to Ms. Glenda San Pedro (fax: 963-0952). The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

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Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of November has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Lesotho
Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela

Asian States:
Uzbekistan
H.E. Mr. Alisher Vohidov

Eastern European States:
Belarus
H.E. M r. Alyaksandr Sychou

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Antigua and Barbuda
H.E. Mr. Patrick Albert Lewis

Western European and Other States:
Malta
H.E. Mr. George Saliba

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 18 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED BY RESOLUTION 661 (1990) CONCERNING THE SITUATION BETWEEN IRAQ AND KUWAIT

3.30 p.m.*	163rd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7

* The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested members of the United Nations in Conference Room 7 immediately after the meeting. Following the oral briefing to the members, the Chairman will give a briefing to the press in the same room.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Informal consultations

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 20)

3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and all its sub-items conducted by H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria).

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. — 19th meeting — Conference Room 2

Questions relating to information [89] (A/52/21, A/52/455 and Corr.1)

General debate

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. — informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on draft proposals A/C.2/ 52/L.18 (item 97 (e)), A/C.2/52/L.19 (item 98 (f)), A/C.2/52/L.20 (item 98 (d)) and A/C.2/52/L.21 (item 98 (c))

3 p.m.-6 p.m. — informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/ 52/L.13 (item 96 (b))

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. — 40th meeting — Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions [112] (A/52/3, A/52/116, A/52/173, A/52/254-S/1997/567, A/52/262, A/52/286-S/1997/647, A/52/301-S/1997/668, A/52/347, A/52/432, A/52/ 437, A/52/447-S/1997/775)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)] (A/52/468, A/52/469 and Add.1, A/52/473, A/52/474, A/52/475, A/52/483, A/52/489, A/52/494, A/52/498, A/52/548, A/52/567, A/52/477, A/52/6, A/52/66, A/52/81-S/1997/153, A/52/85-S/1997/180, A/52/117, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/133-S/1997/348, A/52/134-S/1997/349, A/52/135, A/52/151, A/52/182, A/52/204, A/52/205)

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)] (A/52/497, A/52/502, A/52/515, A/52/527, A/52/472, A/52/476, A/52/479, A/52/484, A/52/486/Add.1/Rev.1, A/52/490, A/52/493, A/52/496, A/52/499, A/52/505, A/52/506, A/52/510, A/52/522, A/52/583, A/52/587, A/52/61-S/1997/68, A/52/64, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/170, A/C.3/52/2 and A/C.3/52/4)

4. Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [112 (d)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

5. Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [112 (e)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

Continuation of the general discussion

3 p.m.-6 p.m. — 41st meeting — Conference Room 1

1. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107]

Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.26

2. Human rights questions [112] (A/52/3, A/52/116, A/52/173, A/52/254-S/1997/567, A/52/262, A/52/286-S/1997/647, A/52/301-S/1997/668, A/52/347, A/52/432, A/52/ 437, A/52/447-S/1997/775)

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4. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)] (A/52/497, A/52/502, A/52/515, A/52/527, A/52/472, A/52/476, A/52/479, A/52/484, A/52/486/Add.1/Rev.1, A/52/490, A/52/493, A/52/496, A/52/499, A/52/505, A/52/506, A/52/510, A/52/522, A/52/583, A/52/587, A/52/61-S/1997/68, A/52/64, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/170, A/C.3/52/2 and A/C.3/52/4)

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6. Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [112 (e)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

Continuation of the general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 119 (Pattern of conferences (A/52/32 and Corr.1 (Chinese only) and Add.1, A/51/946 and Corr.1 (Russian only), A/52/215 and Add.1, A/52/216 and Add.1, A/52/291, A/52/340 and Add.1 and A/C.5/52/CRP.1)) and 138 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (A/51/519/Add.5 and Corr.1 and A/52/546))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment for the expenses of the United Nations (A/51/11 and Corr.1-2))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	31st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law [145] (A/52/524)

United Nations Decade of International Law [146]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.6/52/L.12, L.5 and L.4/Rev.1

INFORMAL WORKING GROUP ON ARTICLE 50

Morning*	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

* Following the adjournment of the 31st meeting of the Sixth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the International Law Commission

Morning**- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law

* Following the adjournment of the meeting of the Informal Working Group.

** Following the adjournment of the informal consultations on the draft resolution on the International Law Commission.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303)

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)
2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)

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Tuesday, 18 November 1997

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77
(on the United Nations reform)

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES: WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1 p.m.-5 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

GROUP OF 77 OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE
(on the scale of assessment and the programme budget)

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.8 and agenda item 100 (UNITAR))

1.45 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

ARAB GROUP OF THE SIXTH COMMITTEE

3.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations will be held on the draft resolution on agenda items 39 (b) and (c) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks; Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and fisheries by-catch and discards) *today*, 18 November 1997, at 3 p.m. Conference Room E.

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Briefing

The Commonwealth Secretary-General, H.E. Chief Emeka Anyaoku, will hold a briefing for the Permanent Representatives of Commonwealth Member States of the United Nations *today*, 18 November 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Informal meeting

Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission (UNIKOM) will be held *today*, 18 November 1997, at 3.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Announcement

As from Monday, 3 November 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 19 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 2

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	43rd meeting	Conference Room 4
Afternoon*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

* Following the adjournment of the 43rd meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	42nd meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	43rd meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	31st meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 31st meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	32nd meeting	Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 157 (United Nations reform: measures and proposals)

The 14th meeting of the Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 157 (United Nations reform: measures and proposals) will be held on Wednesday, 19 November 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider further recommendations 1 (Creation of the post of Deputy Secretary-General) and 14 (Account for Development) and, time permitting, other recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General (A/51/950).

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal meetings

Under the auspices of the Second Committee, the following executive briefings will be held:

Wednesday, 19 November 1997 from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4: Mr. Kieran Prendergast, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, on "Peace building and development";

Thursday, 20 November 1997 from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2: Mr. Yasushi Akashi, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, on "Humanitarian crises and development".

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan), on Tuesday, 25 November 1997, at 11 a.m. sharp in Conference Room A.

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Informal presentation

The International Labour Organization Liaison Office in New York will hold a seminar on "The ILO and the Australian workplace" on Thursday, 20 November 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. in Conference Room 8. The speaker will be Mr. Nick Ruskin, industrial relations lawyer.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 14 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 36th meeting

Human rights questions [112]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

The United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights made an introductory statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Gabon, Italy, Cuba, Côte d'Ivoire, Nigeria, Malaysia, Germany, the United States, Costa Rica, Mexico, the Republic of Korea, Zambia and the Russian Federation, as well as by the observer for Palestine.

In the general debate, statements were made by the representatives of Tunisia and Ecuador.

37th meeting

Advancement of women [105]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.15/Rev.1

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Botswana, India, theSolomon Islands and Tajikistan joined in sponsoring the draft resolution and that Mauritania, Pakistan and Senegal had withdrawn as sponsors of the draft resolution. Subsequently, Barbados, Benin, Gabon, Guyana, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Malawi, Mali and Viet Nam joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Sudan, Iraq, Bahrain, Zambia and South Africa.

The representatives of Morocco, Oman, Mauritania, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Pakistan, the United Arab Emirates, Djibouti, Qatar and Jordan made statements in explanation of position on the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

Point of order

The representative of Morocco spoke on a point of order.

The Committee took note of documents A/52/38/Rev.1, A/52/337 and A/52/352.

The Committee concluded its consideration of agenda item 105.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.27

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Lesotho, on behalf of the Group of African States, orally revised the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

*Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.28**

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that the United Kingdom had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Austria, Belgium, Iceland, Ireland, the Netherlands and Spain joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of Ukraine made a statement.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of Azerbaijan.

*Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.29**

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Finland orally revised the text.

It was announced that Argentina, Belarus, Brazil, Burundi, Chad, Gabon, the Marshall Islands, Nigeria and Tajikistan had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Cameroon, Colombia, the Congo, Guinea, Israel, Micronesia, the Niger, Paraguay, Samoa, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkmenistan and Ukraine joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Singapore and the United Republic of Tanzania.

Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.30

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary read out the oral revisions that had been made to the draft resolution at the time of its introduction.

It was announced that Albania, Angola, Argentina, Belarus, Botswana, Brazil, Burundi, Chad, the Congo, Egypt, Haiti, Jamaica, Kenya, Liberia, Malawi, the Marshall Islands, Mongolia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Paraguay, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Swaziland, Tajikistan, Thailand, Turkey, Uruguay and Zambia had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Andorra, Cameroon, Micronesia, Guinea, Iraq, Israel, Mauritania, the Niger, Samoa, San Marino, Senegal, Sudan, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkmenistan and Ukraine joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [108]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.24

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Canada, Guyana, Jamaica, Liechtenstein, Panama and Tajikistan joined in sponsoring the draft resolution. Subsequently, Belarus, Cameroon, El Salvador, Malaysia, Mali, Nepal, Nicaragua, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia and Turkmenistan joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of Malta.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.25 and amendments contained in A/C.3/52/L.39

After a statement by the representative of the United Kingdom, the Committee agreed to postpone action on the draft proposal.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [110]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.32

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Argentina, Australia, Spain and the United Kingdom joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of Slovenia orally revised the draft resolution.

Subsequently, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Luxembourg and Mali joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

Right of peoples to self-determination [111]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C/3/52/L.33

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Ethiopia, Guinea, India, Iraq and the Niger joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of Nigeria further revised the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Egypt, Mali, the Sudan and Uganda joined in sponsoring the revised draft resolution.

It was announced that a request had been made for a recorded vote on the draft resolution.

The representative of New Zealand spoke in explanation of vote before the vote.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution by a recorded vote of 91 to 16, with 41 abstentions.

The representative of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia made a statement.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Iraq, Australia and Cuba.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.34

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Iraq, Mali and the Congo joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of Pakistan made a statement.

Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [112 (a)]

Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.35

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that the Dominican Republic had joined as a sponsor of the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.37

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Norway orally revised the draft resolution.

It was announced that Austria, Belarus, Greece, Lithuania, Malta and San Marino joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, El Salvador, Israel, Poland and Spain joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

Human rights questions [112]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

The Chairman of the Working Group of the Third Committee made a statement.

A statement was made by the representative of Cuba.

Statements were made by the representatives of China and Indonesia.

Right of reply

The representative of the Sudan made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 28th and 29th meetings

Measures to eliminate international terrorism [152]

Statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Ghana, Bahrain, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Botswana, Australia, Malta, India, Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Iraq, the Russian Federation, Ethiopia, Egypt, Spain, Kuwait, Slovakia, Lebanon, Cuba, Mexico, Belarus, Uruguay, Jordan, Bangladesh, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and the Sudan.

The representatives of Pakistan, Costa Rica, Cuba, the United States, Lebanon, Venezuela, Australia, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Netherlands spoke.

The Chairman made a statement.

Amendment to article 13 of the Statute of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal [155]

The Chairman of the Committee introduced and orally amended draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.11.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.11, as orally amended, without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 155.

United Nations Decade of International Law [146]

The Chairman of the Working Group of the United Nations Decade on International Law reported on the results of the work of the Working Group.

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [151]

It was announced that the Philippines and Indonesia had joined the list of co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.9.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

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COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION
Nineteenth session 8th meeting

Preparation and adoption of the report of the Committee to the General Assembly at its fifty-second session

The Rapporteur introduced the first part of the draft report contained in document A/AC.198/1997/L.1. Statements were made by the representatives of Algeria, Belarus, Brazil, China, Cuba, Egypt, Jamaica, the Netherlands, Pakistan and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Committee adopted by consensus draft resolutions A and B contained in documents A/AC.198/1997/L.2 and L.3.

Monday, 1 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 24th meeting

Note: The summary of the 24th meeting of the First Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/224).

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 18th meeting

Questions relating to information [89]

The Chairman drew attention to the reports of the Secretary-General contained in document A/52/455 and Corr.1, as well as to documents A/AC.198/1997/L.1/Rev.1 to A/AC.198/1997/L.3.

The representative of Belarus, Rapporteur of the Committee on Information, introduced the report of the Committee (A/AC.198/1997/L.1/Rev.1), as well as to the draft resolutions contained in documents A/AC.198/1997/L.2 and L.3, respectively.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Public Information made a statement.

The representative of UNESCO made a statement.

The Committee began its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Luxembourg (also on behalf of the European Union, as well as by the following Associated countries: Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), Thailand and Lebanon.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to close the list of speakers in the general debate at 6 p.m. on the same day.

Organization of work

The Chairman announced that during the week of 24 November, the Committee would begin its consideration of the remaining items on the agenda, namely, item 86 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees) and item 87 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories). Delegations were urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers as soon as possible.

SECOND COMMITTEE 42nd meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions [95]

(b) Trade and development

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.2/52/L.23, A/C.2/52/L.24 and A/C.2/52/L.26

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolutions on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Environment and sustainable development [98]

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.22

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

(c) Protection of the global climate for present and future generations of mankind

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.21

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

(d) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.20

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

After the representative of the United Republic of Tanzania informed the Committee that Mexico had been the original sponsor of the draft proposal, he introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China and Mexico.

(e) Convention of Biological Diversity

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.25

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

THIRD COMMITTEE 38th meeting

Human rights questions [112]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

The Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Iraq, Mr. Max van der Stoel, made a presentation.

The representatives of Iraq, Kuwait and the United States made statements in response to the presentation by the Special Rapporteur.

The Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the Situation of Human Rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran, Mr. Maurice Copithorne, made a presentation.

The Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Burundi, Mr. Paulo Sergio Pinheiro, made a presentation.

The representative of Burundi made a statement in response to the presentation by the Special Rapporteur.

Statements were made by the representatives of New Zealand (also on behalf of Australia and Canada), Cuba, Bangladesh, the Russian Federation, Ukraine, Thailand, Turkey, Kazakhstan and Kenya.

A statement was also made by the observer of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

39th meeting

Implementation of the Outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women [106]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.42

The representative of Egypt introduced the draft resolution.

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [109]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.40/Rev.1

The representative of Denmark, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Argentina and Turkmenistan, introduced the draft resolution.

Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [112 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.36

The representative of Canada introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Argentina, Australia, Cameroon, Costa Rica, Denmark, Georgia, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Japan, Malta, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, San Marino, Slovakia and Sweden.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [108]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.25 and amendments contained in A/C.3/52/L.39

The representatives of the United Kingdom and the United States made statements.

In light of the statement by the representative of the United States, the amendments contained in document A/C.3/52/L.39 were withdrawn.

Subsequently, the Bahamas, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Morocco, Senegal, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of position.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, without a vote.

The Committee took note of documents A/52/348 an A/52/523.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 108.

Human rights questions [112]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Romania, Georgia, the Sudan, Cyprus, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Colombia, Argentina and Gabon.

Statements were also made by the representatives of UNESCO and the International Labour Organization.

Right of reply

Statements were made by the representatives of Turkey, Estonia, Iraq, the Sudan and Kuwait in the exercise of the right of reply.

Organization of work

The Committee was informed about the programme of work.

On Tuesday, 18 November, the Committee will take action on the draft proposal contained in document A/C.3/52/L.26, thus concluding its consideration of agenda item 107.

On Wednesday, 19 November, the Committee will take action on the draft proposals contained in documents A/C.3/52/L.5, L.31, L.36, L.38, L.40/Rev.1, L.41 and L.42, thus concluding its consideration of agenda items 103, 106, 109, 110, 111 and sub-item 112 (a).

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Corrigendum to the summary of the 29th meeting of the Third Committee (see *Journal* No. 1997/217, p. 10): the following text should be added at the end of the summary:

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [110]

Right of peoples to self-determination [111]

The Committee continued its general discussion and heard statements by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, India, Israel, Pakistan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Indonesia, Nigeria, Cuba, Argentina, Benin, Algeria and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

A statement was made by the observer for Palestine.

The Committee thus concluded its general debate on the items.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 30th meeting

Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors [113] *(A/52/261, A/52/381 and A/52/518)*

(b) United Nations Institute for Training and Research (A/52/5/Add.4)

(c) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (A/52/5/Add.5)

The Committee resumed its general discussion of this agenda item and heard statements by the representatives of Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), Ghana, Pakistan and China.

The Chairman of the Board of Auditors made a concluding statement and responded to questions posed.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would be conducted by Mr. Uldis Blukis (Latvia).

United Nations common system [121] *(A/52/30 and A/52/439)*

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item and heard a statement by the Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission who introduced the report of the Commission (A/52/30).

The President of the Federation of International Civil Servants' Association and the President of the Coordinating Committee for International Staff Unions and Associations of the United Nations System also made statements.

The representative of Paraguay (on behalf of the Rio Group) made a statement.

Human resources management [153] *(A/52/438, A/C.5/51/55 and Corr.1, A/52/7 paras. 107 to 112, A/C.5/52/2 and A/52/574)*

The Committee resumed its general discussion of this agenda item and heard a statement by the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management who also introduced the report of the Secretary-General on Amendments to Staff Rules (A/52/574) and responded to questions posed.

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, Jamaica, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, the Czech Republic, Cyprus and Norway), Ethiopia, Saudi Arabia and Indonesia.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this agenda item, pending the introduction of the remaining documents. The Chairman then informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would be held under the chairmanship of Ambassador Nazareth Incera (Costa Rica), Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

The representative of Egypt made a statement.

Organization of work

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement.

The Chairman also made a statement.

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COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH THE HOST COUNTRY 190th meeting

The Vice-Chairman spoke.

Election of the Chairman of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The Vice-Chairman spoke.

The Committee elected by consensus H.E. Mr. Sotirious Zackheos (Cyprus) as Chairman.

The Chairman made a statement.

The representatives of Costa Rica and the United States made statements.

Chairmanship of the Working Group on Indebtedness

The Chairman spoke.

The Committee appointed Mr. Christo Christov to head the Working Group on Indebtedness.

Statements were made by the representatives of Bulgaria, Costa Rica, the United States, Cyprus and Spain.

COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION
Nineteenth session 9th meeting

Preparation and adoption of the report of the Committee to the General Assembly at its fifty-second session

The Rapporteur introduced the revised first part of the draft report contained in document A/AC.198/1997/L.1/Rev.1. Statements were made by the representatives of Algeria, Egypt, Jamaica, the Netherlands, Pakistan and the Russian Federation. The Committee adopted its report, as orally amended.

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Nineteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

MONDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 1997

309th and 310th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee considered the initial report of Cuba (CAT/C/32/Add.2).

In accordance with rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item in closed session.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Seventeenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

MONDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 1997

27th and 28th meetings

Adoption of the agenda [1]

The Committee adopted its provisional agenda as contained in document E/C.12/1997/5. It also adopted the programme of work for its session (E/C.12/1997/L.2).

Relations with United Nations organs and other treaty bodies [5]

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

Substantive issues arising in the implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights [3]

The Committee began and concluded the hearing of representatives of non-governmental organizations on the implementation of the International Covenant in a number of States parties.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Africa Industrialization Day

On the occasion of Africa Industrialization Day, the President of the General Assembly, Mr. Hennadiy Udovenko, and the Secretary-General, Mr. Kofi Annan, will address the General Assembly on Thursday, 20 November 1997, at 10 a.m.

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Summit

The first Summit on the Security and Independence of the International Civil Service will be held on Wednesday, 19 November 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8. The event is organized by the United Nations Staff Council Standing Committee on the Security and Independence of the International Civil Service (CSIICS), a committee of the United Nations Staff Union.

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Training courses for permanent missions

The Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) will hold the second set of off-site Internet training course until Monday, 24 November 1997. The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 19 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

consultations of the whole
10 a.m. (closed) Consultation Room

Western Sahara (S/1997/882)

Iraq

Briefing by Ambassador Richard Butler, Executive Chairman of the Special Commission established by the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 9 (b) (i) of Security Council resolution 687 (1991)

Briefing by Mr. Garry Dillon, Leader of the IAEA Action Team on Iraq

Angola

Briefing by the Secretariat

Other matters

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 157
(United Nations reform: measures and proposals)

14th meeting
10 a.m. (closed) Conference Room 4

Further consideration of recommendations 1 (Creation of the post of Deputy Secretary-General) and 14 (Account for Development) and, time permitting, other recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General (A/51/950)

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 2

Questions relating to information [89] (A/52/21, A/52/455 and Corr.1)

General debate

SECOND COMMITTEE

3.30 p.m.	43rd meeting	Conference Room 4

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.28

2. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

   (f) First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.30

   (h) Human resources development

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.31

3. Environment and sustainable development [98]

   (g) Special session for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.29

4. Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research [100]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.32

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/ 52/L.22 (item 98 (b)), A/C.2/52/L.25 (item 98 (e))

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* Following the adjournment of the 43rd meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	42nd meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions [112] (A/52/3, A/52/116, A/52/173, A/52/254-S/1997/567, A/52/262, A/52/286-S/1997/647, A/52/301-S/1997/668, A/52/347, A/52/432, A/52/437, A/52/447-S/1997/775, A/52/589-S/1997/871)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)] (A/52/468, A/52/469 and Add.1, A/52/473, A/52/474, A/52/475, A/52/483, A/52/489, A/52/494, A/52/498, A/52/548, A/52/567, A/52/477, A/52/66, A/52/81-S/1997/153, A/52/85-S/1997/180, A/52/117, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/133-S/1997/348, A/52/134-S/1997/349, A/52/135, A/52/151, A/52/182, A/52/204, A/52/205, A/C.3/52/6)

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)] (A/52/497, A/52/502, A/52/515, A/52/527, A/52/472, A/52/476, A/52/479, A/52/484, A/52/486/Add.1/Rev.1, A/52/490, A/52/493, A/52/496, A/52/499, A/52/505, A/52/506, A/52/510, A/52/522, A/52/583, A/52/587, A/52/61-S/1997/68, A/52/64, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/170, A/C.3/52/2 and A/C.3/52/4)

4. Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [112 (d)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

5. Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [112 (e)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

   Continuation of the general discussion

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	43rd meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Crime prevention and criminal justice [103]

   Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.5 and L.43

2. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women [106]

   Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.42

3. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [109]

   Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.40/Rev.1

4. Right of peoples to self-determination [111]

Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.41

5. Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [112 (a)]

Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.36

6. Human rights questions [112] (A/52/3, A/52/116, A/52/173, A/52/254-S/1997/567, A/52/262, A/52/286-S/1997/647, A/52/301-S/1997/668, A/52/347, A/52/432, A/52/437, A/52/447-S/1997/775, A/52/589-S/1997/871)

7. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)] (A/52/468, A/52/469 and Add.1, A/52/473, A/52/474, A/52/475, A/52/483, A/52/489, A/52/494, A/52/498, A/52/548, A/52/567, A/52/477, A/52/66, A/52/81-S/1997/153, A/52/85-S/1997/180, A/52/117, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/133-S/1997/348, A/52/134-S/1997/349, A/52/135, A/52/151, A/52/182, A/52/204, A/52/205, A/C.3/52/6)

8. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)] (A/52/497, A/52/502, A/52/515, A/52/527, A/52/472, A/52/476, A/52/479, A/52/484, A/52/486/Add.1/Rev.1, A/52/490, A/52/493, A/52/496, A/52/499, A/52/505, A/52/506, A/52/510, A/52/522, A/52/583, A/52/587, A/52/61-S/1997/68, A/52/64, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/170, A/C.3/52/2 and A/C.3/52/4)

9. Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [112 (d)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

10. Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [112 (e)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

Continuation and conclusion of the general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 113 (Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors: (b) United Nations Institute for Training and Research and (c) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (A/52/5/Add.4, A/52/5/Add.5, A/52/261, A/52/381 and A/52/518)), 143 (Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/51/432, A/51/530 and Corr.1, A/51/801, A/52/426, A/52/464 and A/C.5/52/12) and 114 (Review of the efficiency of the administration and financial functioning of the United Nations: Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/51/933, A/52/339 and Add.1 and A/52/575))

3 p.m.	31st meeting	Conference Room 3

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116] (A/52/6 (Vol. I and II), A/52/16 and Add.1 and A/52/7 and Chapter II, Parts I-XII)

General discussion

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 116 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 (A/52/6 (Vol. I and II), A/52/16 and Add.1 and A/52/7 and Chapter II, Parts I-XII)

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* Following the adjournment of the 31st meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	32nd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country [149] (A/52/26)

Establishment of an international criminal court [150]

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.16

Convention on Jurisdictional Immunities of States and their Property [144]

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.18

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-ninth session [147]

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.15 and Corr.1

United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law [145]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.6/52/L.17 and Corr. 1 and Corr.2 (Russian only)

Measures to eliminate international terrorism [152]

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.13

SIXIÈME COMMISSION

Morning*- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	33rd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

* Following the adjournment of the 32nd meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (MINUGUA)
2. United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303)

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)
2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal meeting

Under the auspices of the Second Committee, the following executive briefing will be held:

Today, 19 November 1997, from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4: Mr. Kieran Prendergast, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, on "Peace building and development".

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 19 November 1997

MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES: WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77
(on the United Nations reform)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77 OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE
(on the programme budget)

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 3

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on draft resolutions A/C.2/52/L.11, L.12 and L.9)

1.45 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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Announcement

As from Monday, 3 November 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 20 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m. **50th PLENARY MEETING** **General Assembly Hall**

1. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of a member of the Joint Inspection Unit: note by the Secretary-General (A/52/110) [17 (j)].

2. Towards a culture of peace: draft resolution (A/52/L.4/Rev.1) [156].

3. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization [34]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/313);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.20).

4. Universal Congress on the Panama Canal : report of the Secretary-General (A/52/435 and Corr.1) [28].

5. Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic [32]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/462);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.24).

6. Report of the Economic and Social Council: draft resolutions (A/52/L.15, L.18, L.21, L.22) [12].

7. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments [17]:

   (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/670);

   (b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/56/671);

   (c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors: report of the Fifth Committee: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/672);

   (d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/673);

   (e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/674);

   (f) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/675);

   (g) Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/676).

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	44th meeting	Conference Room 2
Afternoon*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

* Following the adjournment of the 44th meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	44th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	45th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal meeting

Under the auspices of the Second Committee, the following executive briefing will be held:

Thursday, 20 November 1997 from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2: Mr. Yasushi Akashi, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, on "Humanitarian crises and development".

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan), on Tuesday, 25 November 1997, at 11 a.m. sharp in Conference Room A.

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Informal presentation

The International Labour Organization Liaison Office in New York will hold a seminar on "The ILO and the Australian workplace" on Thursday, 20 November 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. in Conference Room 8. The speaker will be Mr. Nick Ruskin, industrial relations lawyer.

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Special event

H. E. Mr. Fidel V. Ramos, President of the Republic of the Philippines, will deliver UNFPA's Seventh Rafael M. Salas Memorial Lecture, on the theme "It Can Be Done ... Population Management through People Empowerment and Consensus-Building", on Wednesday, 26 November 1997, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The Lecture will be followed by a question-and-answer period. All member of delegations, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the press are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 17 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 24th meeting

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 62 to 83 (A/C.1/52/INF.1)

The Committee completed the fourth and final phase of its work, namely, action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items.

The Director of the Centre for Disarmament Affairs introduced document A/52/309/Add.1 (a report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Regional Centres for Peace and Disarmament).

The representative of Egypt introduced revised draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.2/Rev.1.

General statements were made by the representatives of Myanmar (on document A/52/309/Add.1), Pakistan (on A/C.1/52/L.28/Rev.1 and L.48), Japan (on A/C.1/52/L.28/Rev.1), Togo, Nepal and Peru (on A/52/309/Add.1), and Oman (on A/C.1/52/L.2/Rev.1). The Director of the Centre for Disarmament Affairs made a statement.

In explanation of vote before the vote on draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.2/Rev.1, statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, the United States, Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union and Associated States and members of the European Economic Area), Canada, Argentina, South Africa, the Sudan and Australia.

Preambular paragraph 6 of draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.2/Rev.1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 80 to 34, with 25 abstentions.

Operative paragraph 3 of the draft resolution was adopted by a recorded vote of 73 to 46, with 17 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.2/Rev.1 as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 81 to 45, with 16 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of China, Cuba, the United States, India, the Russian Federation, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Sudan. The representative of Sri Lanka also made a statement.

In explanation of vote before the vote on draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.28/Rev.1, statements were made by the representatives of India, Cuba and Mexico.

Preambular paragraph 9 of draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.28/Rev.1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 141 to 1, with 4 abstentions.

Operative paragraph 1 of the draft resolution was adopted by a recorded vote of 142 to 3, with 1 abstention.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52./L.28/Rev.1 as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 138 to none, with 9 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of China, Bangladesh, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Algeria and Nigeria.

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement in which he withdrew draft decision A/C.1/52/L.51/Rev.1 concerning the rationalization of the work and reform of the agenda of the First Committee.

The Chairman of the Committee made a concluding statement.

Closing statements were also made by the representatives of Colombia (on behalf of the countries of the Non-Aligned Movement), Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union and Associated States and Members of the European Economic Area), Kenya (on behalf of the Group of African States), Uzbekistan (on behalf of the Group of Asian States), Belarus (on behalf of the Group of Eastern European States), Antigua and Barbuda (on behalf of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States), Jamaica (on behalf of the Caribbean Community) and Malta (on behalf of the Western European and Other States Group).

Tuesday, 18 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 19th meeting

Questions relating to information [89]

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Singapore, Ukraine, the United Arab Emirates, the Republic of Korea, Jamaica (also on behalf of the 12 members of CARICOM which are members of the United Nations (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago), Tunisia, the United States and Israel.

Organization of work

The Committee, on the suggestion of the Chairman, allocated the first two meetings for the general debate on agenda item 86 and three meetings for agenda item 87. The Committee also agreed to take action on all the draft resolutions on Wednesday afternoon, 26 November.

The Committee decided, on the proposal of the Chairman, to set Monday, 24 November, at 6 p.m., as the deadline for submission of draft proposals relating to agenda item 86 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East) and agenda item 87 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories).

THIRD COMMITTEE 40th meeting

Human rights questions [112]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Barbados (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Austria, Croatia, South Africa (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community), Bulgaria, the Republic of Moldova, Belarus, Venezuela, Australia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, New Zealand, Latvia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Norway and the United States.

41st meeting

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.26

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of the Sudan, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, orally revised the draft resolution.

It was announced that Angola, Côte d'Ivoire, the Dominican Republic, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, the Niger and Tajikistan had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Israel joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 107.

Human rights questions [112]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

Statements were made by the representatives of El Salvador, Ghana, Algeria, Malta, Morocco, Myanmar, the Republic of Korea, Nigeria, Canada, the Syrian Arab Republic and Malaysia.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania made a statement in response to the presentation by the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Burundi.

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the Sudan, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and Cuba.

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Corrigendum to the summary of the 37th meeting of the Third Committee (see *Journal* No. 1997/223, p.9): the following text should be substituted for the text under *Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.30*:

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107]

Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.30

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Albania, Angola, Argentina, Belarus, Botswana, Brazil, Burundi, Chad, the Congo, Egypt, Haiti, Jamaica, Kenya, Liberia, Malawi, the Marshall Islands, Mongolia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Paraguay, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Swaziland, Tajikistan, Thailand, Turkey, Uruguay and Zambia had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Andorra, Cameroon, the Federated States of Micronesia, Guinea, Iraq, Israel, Mauritania, the Niger, Samoa, San Marino, Senegal, the Sudan, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkmenistan and Ukraine joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution by acclamation.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 31st meeting

Note: The summary of the 31st meeting of the Sixth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/225).

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Nineteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 1997

311th and 312nd meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee considered the third periodic report of Spain (CAT/ C/34/Add.7).

In accordance with rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC,
SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Seventeenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 1997

29th and 30th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 16 of the Convention [6]

The Committee considered the second periodic report of the Dominican Republic (E/1990/6/Add.7).

In accordance with rule 62 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, as amended by the Protocol of 25 March 1972 amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs 1961, done at New York on 9 August 1975

Accession: Saudi Arabia (7 November 1997)*

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 14 December 1973

Accession: Brunei Darussalam (13 November 1997)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The main Delegates' Dining-room and private dining rooms will be closed from 23 to 28 November 1997, due to renovations. The Delegates Dining-room buffet service will be available in the West Terrace from 23 to 26 November 1997. Reservations are recommended. No services will be available in the Delegates' Dining Room complex on Friday, 28 November 1997. The Staff Cafe and Cafeteria will be open during that period. All catering facilities will be closed on Thursday, 27 November 1997, Thanksgiving Day.

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Summit

The first Summit on the Security and Independence of the International Civil Service scheduled for *today*, Wednesday, 19 November 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8 has been postponed to February 1998.

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Forum

The second United Nations World Television Forum, "Television in the New Multimedia Environment", will take place from *today*, 19 November until 21 November 1997 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Organized by the Department of Public Information and co-sponsored by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy, Radiotelevisione Italiana (RAI) and Mediaset, it opens today at 11 a.m. with addresses by the Secretary-General, Mr. Kofi Annan, and the Italian Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Lamberto Dini. The Chairman of RAI, Mr. Enzo Siciliano, and the Chairman of Mediaset, Mr. Fedele Confalonieri, will also speak. The first panel, at 11.45 a.m. on the theme "Visions for the Future", will include a presentation by Mr. Dan Rather, Managing Editor, CBS News, and speeches by Mr. Rupert Murdoch, Chairman, The News Corporation, and Mr. Zwelakhe Sisulu, Group Chief Executive, South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC). At 3 p.m., a second panel on the theme "The New Multimedia Environment" will be moderated by Jan Mojto, President, Association of Commercial Television (ACT) of Europe. Delegations, staff, non-governmental organizations and accredited media are invited.

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New United Nations stamps
prestige booklets and annual collections

Today, 19 November 1997, the United Nations Postal Administration will issue a set of six commemorative stamps and three prestige booklets on the theme "The Terracotta Warriors", in commemoration the twenty-fifth Jubilee of the World Heritage Convention.

The 1997 New York, Geneva and Vienna annual collection folders, as well as the 1997 flag series folder, will also be released *today*.

The new stamps, prestige booklets, first day covers, hand cancellations and annual collection folders can be obtained by members of delegations and staff members at the north end of the Secretariat Lobby *today*, 19 November 1997, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at the UNPA sales counter in the concourse of the General Assembly Building from 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Details about the new stamps are available in information circular ST/IC/1997/72.

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Africa Industrialization Day

On the occasion of Africa Industrialization Day, the President of the General Assembly, Mr. Hennadiy Udovenko, and the Secretary-General, Mr. Kofi Annan, will address the General Assembly on Thursday, 20 November 1997, at 10 a.m.

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Training courses for permanent missions

The Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) will hold the second set of off-site Internet training course until Monday, 24 November 1997. The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 20 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m. 50th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of a member of the Joint Inspection Unit: note by the Secretary-General (A/52/110) [17 (j)].

2. Towards a culture of peace: draft resolution (A/52/L.4/Rev.1) [156].

3. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization [34]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/313);

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7. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments [17]:

   (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/670);

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(c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors: report of the Fifth Committee: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/672);

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(e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/674);

(f) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/675);

(g) Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/676).

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on draft resolutions A/C.2/52/L.23, L.24 and L.26 (item 95 (b))

3.30 p.m.	44th meeting	Conference Room 2

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(f) First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty

*Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.2**

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

Informal consultations by the Chairman of the Second Committee on "Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening of international economic cooperation for development through partnership" (agenda item 97 (a))

* Following the adjournment of the 44th meeting of the Second Committee.

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.22 (item 98 (b)), A/C.2/52/L.25 (item 98 (e))

* Following the adjournment of the 44th meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	44th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [112 (a)]

   *Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.49**

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)]

   Introduction of draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.44, L.45, L.46, L.47, L.48, L.50, L.51*, L.52*, L.53* and L.55**

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)]

   *Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.54**

* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 118 (Joint Inspection Unit (A/51/34, A/52/34, A/51/559 and Corr.1, A/52/206 and A/52/267)) and 153 (Human resources management (A/52/438, A/C.5/51/55 and Corr.1, A/52/7, paras. 107 to 112, A/C.5/52/2 and A/52/574))

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment for the expenses of the United Nations (A/51/11 and Corr.1-2))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on agenda item 152 (Measures to eliminate international terrorism)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Executive session on the United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (MINUGUA)
2. United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303)
3. Draft reports

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)
2.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal meeting

Under the auspices of the Second Committee, the following executive briefing will be held:

Today, 20 November 1997, from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2: Mr. Yasushi Akashi, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, on "Humanitarian crises and development".

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Thursday, 20 November 1997

JOINT COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES AND THE GROUP OF 77

10 a.m.-1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 4

MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES: WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

10 a.m.-1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 2

GROUP OF 77 OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE
(on the scale of assessments and the International Civil Service Commission)

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 9

ASIAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

3 p.m.-6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

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Informal presentation

The International Labour Organization Liaison Office in New York will hold a seminar on "The ILO and the Australian workplace" *today*, 20 November 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. in Conference Room 8. The speaker will be Mr. Nick Ruskin, industrial relations lawyer.

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Informal meeting

Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) will be held *today*, 20 November 1997, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Announcement

As from Monday, 3 November 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 21 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

GENERAL COMMITTEE

9.30 a.m.	3rd meeting	Conference Room 4

Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-second regular session of the General Assembly and allocation of items: request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by Jamaica (A/52/233 and Add.1) [8].

10 a.m.	51st PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies [38]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/513);

(b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.28).

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	32nd meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 32nd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	45th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	46th meeting	Conference Room 1

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	33rd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will begin consideration of the remaining items on its agenda, namely, item 86 (United Nations Relief and Work Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East and item 87 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories) during the week of 24 November 1997. The deadline for submission of draft proposals relating to these items is Monday, 24 November, at 6 p.m.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to agenda items 86 and 87 are kindly requested to notify the Secretariat (room S-3380, tel.: 963-9223).

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SECURITY COUNCIL

The United Nations Special Commission (UNSCOM) will hold an emergency meeting on Friday, 21 November 1997, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan), on Tuesday, 25 November 1997, at 11 a.m. sharp in Conference Room A.

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The next meeting of the ad hoc informal open-ended support group to assist the Commission for Social Development in the preparations for the International Year of Older Persons will take place on Friday, 5 December 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8. Delegates are invited to present information on developments at the national level in preparation for the year.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Western European and Other States Group on Friday, 21 November 1997, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the security of humanitarian personnel under agenda item 20 will be held on Friday, 21 November 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

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Special event

H. E. Mr. Fidel V. Ramos, President of the Republic of the Philippines, will deliver UNFPA's Seventh Rafael M. Salas Memorial Lecture, on the theme "It Can Be Done ... Population Management through People Empowerment and Consensus-Building", on Wednesday, 26 November 1997, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The Lecture will be followed by a question-and-answer period. All member of delegations, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the press are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 18 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE 31st meeting

United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law [145]

Statements were made by the representatives of Ghana, who introduced draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.17, China and Lebanon.

United Nations Decade of International Law [146]

The Chairman introduced draft resolutions A/C.6/52/L.12 and A/C.6/52/L.5 which were subsequently adopted by the Committee without a vote.

The representative of the Russian Federation spoke in connection with draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.5.

The representative of Mongolia introduced draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.4/Rev.1.

It was announced that Lebanon and Cuba had joined as co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.4/Rev.1.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.4/Rev.1 without a vote.

The representative of Solomon Islands spoke in connection with the draft resolution just adopted.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 146.

Wednesday, 19 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 20th meeting

Questions relating to information [89]

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Cameroon, Nepal, Belarus, Indonesia, Viet Nam, Algeria, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Romania, Guyana, Paraguay (also on behalf of the Rio Group (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela), Egypt, Nigeria, Bangladesh, Bahrain, Malaysian, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, South Africa, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the Russian Federation and Cuba.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft decision contained in paragraph 63 of document A/52/21.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, draft resolutions A and B contained in paragraph 64 of document A/52/21.

The Committee concluded its consideration of agenda item 89.

Organization of work

The Chairman drew the attention of the members to aide-mémoire 1/97/Add.2 which contained the unofficial provisional list of documents relating to agenda items 86 and 87.

SECOND COMMITTEE 43rd meeting

Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.28

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced and revised the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, as well as Australia, Canada and New Zealand.

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(f) First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.30

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

(h) Human resources development

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.31

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Environment and sustainable development [98]

(g) Special session for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.29

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research [100]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.32

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The Secretary corrected the text of the draft resolution.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania then introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, as well as Australia.

THIRD COMMITTEE 42nd meeting

Note: The summary of the 42nd and 43rd meetings of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/226).

FIFTH COMMITTEE 31st meeting

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it a paper prepared by the Secretariat responding to questions previously posed.

Statements were made by the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), the United States, the Syrian Arab Republic, Egypt, Pakistan, the Bahamas, Cuba and Mexico.

The Controller responded to questions posed.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would be conducted by Mr. Carlos Dante Riva (Argentina).

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Argentina, Indonesia, Côte d' Ivoire, Cuba and the United States.

The Chairman also made a statement.

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Nineteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 1997

313th meeting

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item by reading out the concluding observations on Cuba and Spain.

314th (closed) meeting

Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item in closed session.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Seventeenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 1997

31st and 32nd meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 16 of the Convention [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the second periodic report of the Dominican Republic (E/1990/6/Add.7).

In accordance with rule 62 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

Relations with United Nations organs and other treaty bodies [5]

The Committee continued its discussion of the item in closed session.

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 16 of the Convention [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the second periodic report of the Dominican Republic (E/1990/6/Add.7).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The main Delegates' Dining-room and private dining rooms will be closed from 23 to 28 November 1997, due to renovations. The Delegates Dining-room buffet service will be available in the West Terrace from 23 to 26 November 1997. Reservations are recommended. No services will be available in the Delegates' Dining Room complex on Friday, 28 November 1997. The Staff Cafe and Cafeteria will be open during that period. All catering facilities will be closed on Thursday, 27 November 1997, Thanksgiving Day.

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Africa Industrialization Day

On the occasion of Africa Industrialization Day, the President of the General Assembly, Mr. Hennadiy Udovenko, and the Secretary-General, Mr. Kofi Annan, will address the General Assembly *today*, 20 November 1997, at 10 a.m.

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Forum

The United Nations World Television Forum, "Television in the New Multimedia Environment", will continue *today*, 20 November, until 21 November 1997 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Organized by the Department of Public Information and co-sponsored by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy, Radiotelevisione Italiana (RAI) and Mediaset, it will begin *today* at 10 a.m. with a panel on "New Scenarios in Television: Quality, Quantity and Access", moderated by Mr. Jean-Bernard Muench, Secretary-General, European Broadcasting Union (EBU). There will be two-way video links with Mr. Michael Bloomberg, President and CEO, Bloomberg Information TV, speaking from Asia; and Mr. Renato Ruggiero, Director-General, World Trade Organization, from Geneva. At 3 p.m., a panel on "Programming for People" will be moderated by Mr. Larry Loeb, President, North American National Broadcasters Association (NANBA). Members of delegations, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and accredited media are invited to attend.

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Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 20 November 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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Training courses for permanent missions

The Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) will hold the second set of off-site Internet training course until Monday, 24 November 1997. The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

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